26 October 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Thomas B. Cormack

Executive Secretary

FROM

: J. Kenneth McDonald Chief, History Staff

SUBJECT

: Review and Release of CIA Documents to Department of

State Historians

1. Dr. Charles Sampson and his team of historians from the Department of State have asked permission to use the following CIA-originated documents from the Johnson Library in preparing a Vietnam War volume for the official documentary series, Foreign Relations of the United States:

Document #HS/LBJ/2, 25 Nov 63, (S)
Document #HS/LBJ/148, 9 Jan 64, (S)

I would be grateful if you would review these documents and decide whether they can be released (at their present classifications, unless you wish to sanitize or downgrade them) to the Department of State for Dr. Sampson's use.

- 2. Dr. Sampson's team of official historians and the Department of State have agreed to the attached "CIA Records Access Policy," which requires further CIA review before any of the classified material you may now release to them can be declassified, downgraded, or published.
- 3. I would be grateful if you would return these documents with your determination to the DCI History Staff, Room 316 Ames.

J. Kenneth McDonald

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Attachment

This memo is UNCLASSIFIED when separated from attached documents.

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